

non-living, dried Brewer's or Baker's yeast in an amount comprising between about 2.5% and about 20% of the total mass of the composition, and

a protein concentrate selected from the group consisting of whey protein, soy protein, and animal protein concentrates.

*C* 37. (Amended) The composition of claim 36, wherein the genus *Lactobacilli* bacteria is selected from the group of consisting of strains *Lactobacillus acidophilus*, *Lactobacillus bulgaricus*, *Lactobacillus casei*, *Lactobacillus helveticus*, *Lactobacillus bifidus*, *Lactobacillus lactis*, *Lactobacillus delbrueckii*, *Lactobacillus thermophilus*, *Lactobacillus coryniformis*, *Lactobacillus curvatus*, *Lactobacillus buchneri*, *Lactobacillus fermentum*, *Lactobacillus viridescens*, *Lactobacillus amylovorus*, *Lactobacillus amylophilus*, *Lactobacillus pentosaceus*, *Lactobacillus brevis*, *Lactobacillus leichmannii*, *Lactobacillus plantarum*, and *Lactobacillus cellobiosus*.

*C* 2 39. (Amended) The composition of claim 36, wherein the viable dried bacteria component comprises from about 0.25% to about 5.0% of the total mass of the composition.

*C* 2 40. (Amended) The composition of claim 36, wherein the non-living dried yeast component comprises from about 3.0% to about 12.5% of the total mass of the composition.

41. (Amended) The composition of claim 36, wherein the protein component comprises from about 50% to about 97% of the total mass of the composition.

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42. (Amended) The composition of claim 36, wherein the protein component comprises from about 75% to about 96% of the total mass of the composition.